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Docket No.: LAGROTH 3.3-027

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In re Patent Application of:

Lundgren et al.

Application No.: 10/009,894

Group Art Unit: 1733

Filed: March 12, 2002

Examiner: Samchuan Yao

For: METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR THE

MANUFACTURE OF LIGNOCELLULOSE-

CONTAINING BOARDS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed December 9, 2003, setting forth a Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application. The Examiner required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- I. Claims 19-30 drawn to a method of making a lignocellulose board; and
- II. Claims 31-38 drawn to an apparatus for making lignocellulose board.

In response, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, corresponding to claims 19-30. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application corresponding to the non-elected claims.

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Applicants have submitted herewith a Petition for a one month extension of time to reset the deadline for response to and including February 9, 2004.

In the event any fee is due in connection with the present response, the Examiner is authorized to charge Applicants' Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

Dated: January 30, 2004

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